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OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE INTERROGATORIES TO UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE (OCA/USPS-1-2) October 3, 2002

Pursuant to Rules 25 through 28 of the Rules of Practice of the Postal Rate Commission, the Office of the Consumer Advocate hereby submits interrogatories and requests for production of documents.

If data requested are not available in the exact format or level of detail requested, any data available in (1) a substantially similar format or level of detail or (2) susceptible to being converted to the requested format and detail should be provided.

The production of documents requested herein should be made by photocopies attached to responses of these interrogatories. If production of copies is infeasible due to the volume of material or otherwise, provision should be made for inspection of responsive documents at the Office of the Consumer Advocate, 1333 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20268-0001, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If a privilege is claimed with respect to any data or documents requested herein, the party to whom this discovery request is directed should provide a Privilege Log (see, e.g., Presiding Officer Ruling C99-1/9, p. 4, in Complaint on PostECS, Docket No. C99-1). Specifically, "the party shall make the claim expressly and shall describe the nature of the documents, communications, or things not produced or disclosed in a manner that, without revealing information itself privileged or protected, will enable other parties to assess the applicability of the privilege or protection." Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(b)(5).

The term "documents" includes, but is not limited to: letters, telegrams, memoranda, reports, studies, newspaper clippings, speeches, testimonies, pamphlets, charts, tabulations, and workpapers. The term "documents" also includes other means by which information is recorded or transmitted, including printouts, microfilms, cards, discs, tapes and recordings used in data processing together with any written material necessary to understand or use such punch cards, discs, tapes or other recordings.

"All documents" means each document, as defined above, that can be located, discovered or obtained by reasonable diligent efforts, including without limitation all documents possessed by: (a) you or your counsel; or (b) any other person or entity from whom you can obtain such documents by request or which you have a legal right to bring within your possession by demand.

"Communications" includes, but is not limited to, any and all conversations, meetings, discussions and any other occasion for verbal exchange, whether in person or by telephone, as well as all documents, including but not limited to letters, memoranda, telegrams, cables, or electronic mail.

"Relating to" means discussing, describing, reflecting, containing, analyzing, studying, reporting, commenting on, evidencing, constituting, setting forth, considering, recommending, concerning, or pertaining to, in whole or in part.

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Responses to requests for explanations or the derivation of numbers should be accompanied by workpapers. The term "workpapers" shall include all backup material whether prepared manually, mechanically or electronically, and without consideration to

the type of paper used. Such workpapers should, if necessary, be prepared as part of

the witness's responses and should "show what the numbers were, what numbers were

added to other numbers to achieve a final result." The witness should "prepare

sufficient workpapers so that it is possible for a third party to understand how he took

data from a primary source and developed that data to achieve his final results." Docket

No. R83-1, Tr. 10/2795-96. Where the arithmetic manipulations were performed by an

electronic digital computer with internally stored instructions and no English language

intermediate printouts were prepared, the arithmetic steps should be replicated by

manual or other means.

Please especially note that if you are unable to provide any of the requested documents or information, as to any of the interrogatories, provide an explanation for each instance in which documents or information cannot be or have not been provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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OCA/USPS-1. For Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001, please provide the volume for

each permit system mailer of First-Class Mail in rank order. (NOTE: OCA is not asking

for the specific identification of any permit system mailers.)

OCA/USPS-2. For Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001, please provide the return volume

for each permit system mailer that receives the physical return of undeliverable-as-

addressed First-Class Mail in rank order. (NOTE: OCA is not asking for the specific

identification of any permit system mailers.)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served the foregoing document upon all

participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with Rule 12 of the rules of

practice.

Stephanie Wallace

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